

Amendment And Response
Serial No. 10/600,966

In The Specification:

Please amend the specification as follows:

Please replace the paragraph on page 1, lines 7-8 with the following replacement paragraph:

This application is a division of U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 08/902,172, filed July 29, 1997, now U.S. Patent No. 6,605,332.

Please replace the paragraph from page 4, line 19 to page 5, line 2 with the following replacement paragraph:

Polymer surfaces having a plurality of projecting expanded cross-section shaped microfibers may be produced by a method which includes laminating a polymer substrate to a resilient template surface having a plurality of microdepressions. During the lamination process softened material from the surface of the polymer substrate is forced into the microdepressions thereby forming a plurality of microprojections extending from the substrate surface. If the surface of the polymer substrate is maintained in a sufficiently softened state while it is delaminated from the template surface, the microprojections can be stretched such that a plurality of microfibers extending from the polymer surface are generated prior to the debonding of the polymer substrate surface from the template surface. In other words, a blob of the softened polymer remains entrapped in the microdepression for a period of time while a stem of polymer connecting the blob to the underlying surface is drawn out. The stem increases in length while the polymer surface is cooling until the point where the blob of polymer is pulled out of the microdepression.